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Dear Sir/Madam:

I have followed this suit with utter amazement. I have watched over the decades as companies with robust R&D programs have shrunk, withered away and died. Microsoft is not only an important company for our economy but an important aspect of our national security. I had thought that with the Berlin Wall down that government crypto Socialism would fade away but with this law suit it is live and well. Bell Labs is almost dead, Motorola in the tank, and Universities are being asked to do industrial R&D for free while basic science is ignored. Get off Microsoft's case. Settle up and tell the States to do so too. Enough of this nonsense. We have a war against terrorism to fought and an economic war for survival after that. Microsoft is a case of a bunch of 30-somethings being stupid. Treat it this way and let us get on with things.

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